DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Please note that, in order to give the Department of Workforce Development lead time to implement the changes in this bill, we included initial applicability provisions to specify when the changes would first apply, similar to those included in Act 20. If this bill were to move toward passage, we would recommend consulting with DWD about any necessary changes to these initial applicability provisions.

Regarding the exemptions from the requalification requirements for employees who terminate employment (quit exceptions), this bill restores some of the quit exceptions that were repealed or modified by Act 20. The bill does not affect any changes made by Act 20 to the requalification requirements and quit exceptions that were approved by the Council on Unemployment Insurance. Let me know if this is not consistent with your intent.

Also, note that your item number 409 (repeal of the provisions related to partial UI benefits in weeks containing holidays) is not included because those provisions were vetoed from the budget bill by the governor.

Finally, we note that Act 20 provided DWD with GPR funding to implement the UI provisions. You may wish to consider including provisions to address funding for DWD in this bill as well.

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